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for Copper Film Deposition

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 8, 2008

In response to the Final Office Action dated April 8, 2008, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 8, 2008, please enter this Response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although the Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this Response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782/APPM/005975.P2/JPC, for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this Response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Pending Claims begin on page 2 of this paper. **Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.